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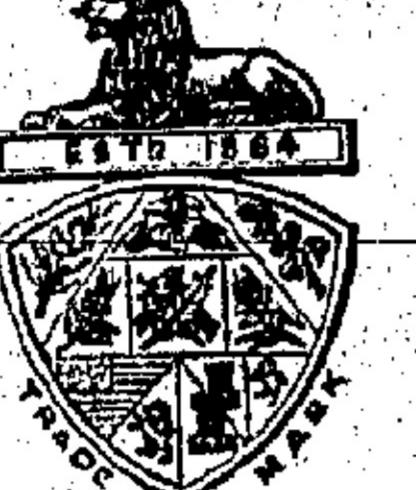
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MARRIAGES.

At St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on Saturday, 29th September, 1900, ARTHUR BARKER, of Singapore, to ANNIE GERTRUDE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry AHRENS.

On Saturday, the 29th September, at the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, by the Rev. Stephen S. Walker, M.A., ALICE MAUD, youngest daughter of the late John BROOKSBANK, of Liverpool, to JOHN WILLIAM, eldest son of JOHN HAYFORDEN, Singapore.

The Daily Press.
HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CL.
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HONGKONG, October 10th, 1900

We called attention in our issue of Saturday to a passage in Mr. Consul MANSFIELD's report on the trade of Amoy in 1899, where he noted the smaller percentage of value of cargo carried in British ships during that year, owing to the competition of a subsidised Japanese line. We also quoted his statement about the differential tax on Formosan tea carried by the Amoy as against the Iu-ki route. "This," said Mr. MANSFIELD, "vitally affects the interests of British merchants both in Amoy and elsewhere." There can be no doubt that, should the Japanese succeed in capturing the Formosa tea trade from Amoy, British shipping interests will suffer as well as local merchants. To-day we publish an important letter from a Londoner dealing with these subjects and emphasises the necessity we are under of paying particular attention to the dangers with which we are threatened. Our correspondent complains of the apathy with which the English in Amoy have been regarded in Hongkong, and warns us that, "as Japan and other Powers annex the Treaty ports and place differential duties against British shipping and imports and exports from and to Hongkong," we shall one day wake up to find our trade gone. There is no doubt that such a result would follow the annexation of Treaty ports by other nations and for this reason among many we have always strongly opposed any approach to a partition of China. It is unnecessary here to enlarge upon the point how absolutely dependent is the trade

of this Colony on the Treaty ports of China and how anything which affects them instantly produces an effect on our trade."

No guarantees of maintaining an "open door" can ever compensate to Britain and her colonies for the alienation to competing Powers of these ports. As a matter of fact, the worthlessness of these guarantees is not a matter of doubt. A national conscience is always a very elastic thing, as has been proved time after time even in the history alone of the dealings of foreign Powers with China. In the matter of the differential tax imposed on Formosan tea shipped to Europe or the States via Chinese ports or Hongkong, it is difficult indeed to see how the British Government can acquiesce in Japan's action. Paragraph 2 of Article VIII of the Treaty of 1894 between Great Britain and Japan runs as follows:—"In the same manner there shall be perfect equality of treatment in regard to exportation, so that the same export duties shall be paid and the same bounties and drawbacks allowed in the dominions and possessions of either of the High Contracting Parties on the exportation of any article which is or may be legally exported therefrom, whether such exportation shall take place in Japanese or in British vessels, and whatever may be the place of destination, whether a port of either of the Contracting Parties or of any third Power." In a letter written on the 28th April from the Chairman of our own Chamber of Commerce to H. B. M.'s Minister at Tokyo, special attention was called to this paragraph, and we do not see how any unprejudiced person can hesitate between the views of the Amoy and Hongkong Chambers and those of the British Government.

Our correspondent goes on to point out that there is more in this matter of the tea trade than appears on the surface, and that it is part of an attack on British shipping, facilitating the operations of the Japanese subsidised line, which have told so against the Douglas Steamship Company here, as the Chairman of that company stated at the Annual Meeting on the 29th ult. How successful the Japanese attack on British shipping has been is shown by our correspondent's figures, which can be verified from trade statistics. Since the Japanese occupation of Formosa a million dollars' worth of trade has been captured by Japan from this colony. The question therefore is one which most intimately concerns us, and there can be no excuse for apathy in the matter. Unfortunately any tendency to let things slide is increased by the knowledge that among the forces ranged against the British merchant is the dilatory, even if not actually hostile, attitude of Her Majesty's representatives. Not only has the merchant to face the keen and unscrupulous rivalry of other nations, but also he usually appeals in vain to his own country's diplomats, who should be ready to protect his interests. There is therefore little wonder if he should look to other means of maintaining his income. The policy is a selfish one, but the blame must not all be bestowed in one quarter, as would be just if Great Britain's representatives in China and Japan showed the care for their nationals' commerce which certain other country's Ministers and Consuls exhibit.

It ought undoubtedly to be impossible for one nation to upset the whole trade of a Treaty port in the way in which Japan last month disturbed the commerce of Amoy. When the Japanese marines invaded the native city there and drove 50,000 of the inhabitants in panic from their homes, trade was paralysed and very many hundreds of thousands of dollars, it is computed, were thereby lost to the foreign and native mercantile community. Yet the Fohkien officials had never remitted their care for foreigners in the province, and until the Japanese landed armed men practically no interference with trade had taken place. It may be said that the British also landed men. But they did not do so until their own Concession had been thrown into confusion and danger by the Japanese action, and the force landed to police the Concession was withdrawn on the earliest opportunity. Japan has much to answer for in this disturbance of Amoy, and even were we to admit the claim that anti-Japanese threats were being constantly used at the time by the natives (which the European residents deny) the invasion of non-Japanese territory at Kulangsu and of the native city of Amoy itself was altogether unjustifiable. Had the Japanese confined themselves to their own Concession, little need have been said, though trade would still have been disturbed in some degree. Throughout the present crisis in China these mischievous independent actions of various Powers without consultation of the others have rendered the task of coping with the situation infinitely harder than it should have been. In the settlement which so slowly approaches there must be some general agreement among the Powers which will put an end to the license allowed to a single nation of inflicting arbitrary disabilities on the commerce of the rest.

A Chinaman was amusing himself on Monday by throwing stones at an Indian carpenter on the Parade Ground in Queen's Road. He was caught, and yesterday Mr. Hazeland ordered him to pay \$10, or three weeks.

Sergeant Landor was on duty in the Shatin district on Monday when he came across a rather suspicious looking Chinaman. He accordingly stopped and searched him, and found some papers relating to the Triad Society on him. The officer arrested him and brought him before Mr. Hazeland, who adjourned the case for a week.

Two men, apparently brothers, were arrested at West Point on Saturday evening for pocket-picking, the one being arrested inside and the other outside the Kooching Theatre. There was no doubt about their guilt, but one case was somewhat worse than the other. Consequently the sentences differed—14 days and three weeks.

Twenty-four chair coolies appeared at the Magistracy yesterday charged with causing obstructions in Pedder Street and Wyndham Street. Not content with remaining in the side channels they blocked up the middle of the street, to the great inconvenience of the passers-by. Fines were imposed which will no doubt act as a deterrent in the future.

With the approach of the cool weather, the coolies and homeless wanderers who, during the summer have made the public foot-paths their beds, are now prohibited from sleeping in the open, and consequently those of them who are without money are hard pressed what to do. Yesterday morning Sergeant Ritchie found five men sleeping in the door of the Pak Tai Temple at the top of Nullah Lane, Wan Chai. He took them into custody. When searched they were found to have two and a half cents among them. Yesterday Mr. Hazeland sentenced them to 14 days' imprisonment as rogues and vagabonds.

For a long time past our evening contemporary, the *Hongkong Telegraph*, has industriously cut out reports and paragraphs and reprinted them without acknowledgment. In its issue of Monday the report of the Gymkhana Meeting which appeared in the *Daily Press* that morning, was reproduced in full by the *Telegraph*, with the exception of thirteen lines. How successful the Japanese attack on British shipping has been is shown by our correspondent's figures, which can be verified from trade statistics. Since the Japanese occupation of Formosa a million dollars' worth of trade has been captured by Japan from this colony. The question therefore is one which most intimately concerns us, and there can be no excuse for apathy in the matter. Unfortunately any tendency to let things slide is increased by the knowledge that among the forces ranged against the British merchant is the dilatory, even if not actually hostile, attitude of Her Majesty's representatives. Not only has the merchant to face the keen and unscrupulous rivalry of other nations, but also he usually appeals in vain to his own country's diplomats, who should be ready to protect his interests. There is therefore little wonder if he should look to other means of maintaining his income. The policy is a selfish one, but the blame must not all be bestowed in one quarter, as would be just if Great Britain's representatives in China and Japan showed the care for their nationals' commerce which certain other country's Ministers and Consuls exhibit.

When passing through a town or village in their own country Chinese soldiers do not scruple about commanding anything which takes their fancy. One of them tried this on in Hongkong on Monday night, and was surprised and aggrieved when a burly police-officer—Sergeant MacSwainy to wit—grabb'd hold of him and took him to the lock-up. He was taken before Mr. Hazeland yesterday, and remanded for enquiry. He speaks a strange dialect, and the police can make very little of him. It is believed, however, that he is one of the men who were being sent from the Bogue Forts to Taiwan, and that he took advantage of the opportunity to desert. He was attired in a dirty uniform of red and blue, with some Chinese characters in a circle on the breast. It is believed he came to Hongkong on board a junk. Feeling hungry he stopped a bread-seller in Queen's Road, opposite the Central Market, and saying "I am a soldier" belonging to such and such an army, helped himself to several loaves. The bread-seller called out, and Sergeant MacSwainy, attracted by his cries, took the "voi voi" into custody.

With reference to the special articles on Rugby Football, advertised in another column, by Mr. A. J. Gould, the first of which will appear in next Monday's issue, the following criticisms are of interest:—"Mr. A. J. Gould may be regarded as the greatest player we have yet seen. His career has been a truly remarkable one, and though during it he has witnessed many shifting phases of the game, he has never failed to exhibit adaptability to an astonishing degree. In the successes of Welsh International teams he has been the main factor, and it has been not only by his own splendid qualities as a player, but by an intimate study of what suited his *couleurs* in the four three-quarter combination, and his power of adapting his plan to theirs, that he has placed himself in a class alone, towering head and shoulders above his contemporaries. From 1889 up to 1899, with the exception of one year, when he was at Barbados, he has been chosen for every International match, and with his last game against Ireland he beat MacLagan's record. He has, too, the unique distinction of having played for both Newport and Richmond in their invincible years, and on season for Middlesex, when that county was undefeated. As a great athlete, most accomplished player, and one who in the four three-quarter method has never had his equal, A. J. Gould will be added to the picture-gallery of distinguished past masters of the Rugby game."—*Rugby Football*, by Arthur Budd.

The *Football Annual* also has the following:—"So much could be said of this well-known athlete that a book alone could do full justice to him. It is in the football world that he is most famous, and few will dispute his title as the greatest three-quarter of the age. As a three-quarter he stood unrivalled in his day, for his speed, skill, and cleverness were marvellous. The national testimonial on his retirement from the game and the consequent international glories are matters of ancient history." The women were each fined \$5, or 14 days, and the man \$10, or three weeks.

A Census for the whole Colony of Hongkong will be held in 1901.

The hockey match arranged to take place yesterday between the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Officers of the R.A. and R.E. was abandoned on account of the weather.

Anthrax has broken out among the cattle imported into Shanghai to be sent north to the troops, and the Sanitary Department is busy destroying them, five animals at a time being cremated.

The American Company of Volunteers at Shanghai have disbanded. They only agreed to serve for three months, and as the crisis is over they have not considered it necessary to remain a corporate body.

Mr. Chu, the French Mixed Court Magistrate at Shanghai, has been removed from his office as a result of representations of irregular proceedings on his part being made to the Taotai by the French Consul General.

A fire occurred at Montreal on the morning of the 1st ult. caused by spontaneous combustion, and did \$90,000 damage to the contents and building of the storage department of the St. Ann's cotton mills, owned by the Dominion Cotton Co. The loss is covered by insurance.

Mr. J. Bernadi, of the well-known family of confectioners of that name in Shanghai, who recently started a restaurant in the Broadway, committed suicide on the 3rd inst. by shooting himself. He was a member of the French Volunteer Corps, and having dressed himself in his uniform, and having written on the wall of his house that he died as a soldier, he placed the muzzle of his rifle in his mouth and blew his brains out.

Owing to the prolonged droughts in the interior during the past eight months the waters of the Yangtze are unusually low. Not since the memorable low water year of 1880 has there been so little water as there is now. Last year at this date the water at Hankow was 40 feet 5 inches and this year at the same date there was only 19 feet, a fall of 21 feet 5 inches. Native reports from the interior show that the state of the crops is very bad indeed, and it is feared that a famine extending over a vast area will be the result. The water continues to fall at a mean daily rate of 10 inches.

Michael Havanagh, an A. B. on board the *Castle Rock*, is evidently something of a terror to his ship-mates. He was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment at the Harbour Office yesterday for assaulting the second officer (Mr. Dalziel) and an A. B. named J. Wallace. Joseph Bolger (another A. B.) and Richard Champion (the cook), charged with disobeying the lawful commands of Captain Jones, excused themselves by declaring that their lives were in danger from Kuanaghi. The Acting Harbour Master (Mr. Basil Taylor) did not consider this excuse sufficient and sentenced them to 14 days' imprisonment.

Yesterday morning Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Company launched and handed over from their new yard the first of two large lighters ordered from the firm by the Green Island Cement Company, Limited, and rendered necessary by the expansion of the Company's business, for the speedy carriage of cement from their Macao Factory to Hongkong for shipment. Messrs. Bailey and Company have turned over the vessel strictly to contract time, viz. four months, and with their ample space and well-equipped workshops are capable of dealing with the construction and repair of barges, tugs, and small vessels of every description. They turned out some little minutes ago the steam-launch *Ida* for the Hongkong Steam Laundry Company.

It is quite possible that the local Court of Kobe will be called upon in a short time to settle a dispute between the French Legation in China and the Japan Emigration Company, states a vernacular journal, regarding an agreement to supply 2,000 coolies for the French troops in North China. After the signing of the usual contract 500 were sent to Taku, and 1,000 more were ready to embark on the *Tsao-Mu* when a wire cancelling the contract was received by the Company. As the latter feared that the coolies might make a disturbance, it was arranged to pay the interpreters and overseas the amount of their salary for half a month, and the coolies were discharged. Five hundred men engaged in Wakayama prefecture, who were expected to arrive at Kobe shortly, have been stopped by wire, and compensation offered.

Quarrelsome ladies who air their differences in the public streets to the annoyance—though sometimes amusement—of the residents are as much in evidence in China as in the slums of our big cities abroad. Yesterday two women made their appearance at the Central Police Station, and laid their case before the Inspector in charge. The younger one said that the other wished to take her to Canton to become a prostitute, that she did not wish to go. The Inspector in charge seeing that the girl was 20 years of age told her that if she did not wish to go to Canton she need not do so and that he thought she was old enough to take care of herself. They then left the station, but subsequently they resumed their rowdy war at West Point, raising their voices so high that a crowd of some 200 people collected about them. A Chinese constable ordered them to clear off, but as they neglected to do so he took them into custody. Several people followed them to the Police Station, including the younger woman's lover. When in Hollywood Road he seized the girl by the hand with the object of dragging her away and in consequence was taken into custody for attempting to rescue a prisoner. All the offenders appeared before Mr. Hazeland yesterday. The women were each fined \$5, or 14 days, and the man \$10, or three weeks.

Mr. Harry de Windt, the explorer, left London on 27th August for Siberia, via St. Petersburg.

The Secretary of the U.S. Navy has asked for bids for the construction of six armoured cruisers, the cost of which will aggregate \$24,750,000.

The *Kobe Chronicle* is informed that the Shanghai Cricket Club has accepted the invitation to visit Kobe on the occasion of the Inter-port Cricket match.

A special committee appointed by the War Office is now engaged in experimenting tests of the Lee-Metford, Mauser, Vetterli, Lebel, Behr and other types of modern rifles.

As a means of exterminating the plague at Osaka, Mr. Fujimoto, a member of the local Municipal Council, has proposed that every household in the city shall be compelled by law to keep a cat, in order to catch the rats. He failed to obtain a single supporter.

After the arrival a few days ago of the French transport *Madeleine* at Singapore, a young gunner of the 6th Regiment of Artillery named Joseph Bidaud, who was suffering from consumption, had to be landed and sent to the General Hospital, where he died during the night.

A short time ago there arrived in Bangkok several cases from Italy marked "Potted Meats," which, on being opened, were found to be only lined with potted meats, and to be stuffed with rifles. The consignees did not claim them, the importation of arms being prohibited in Siam. They were accordingly confiscated.

The Port Said *Verité* says that about sixty soldiers of the Foreign Legion, who wanted to escape, threw themselves into the Suez Canal from off the French transport *Champagne*, which passed through the Canal on Saturday, August 25th. Two of them were drowned, and seven others were arrested and taken to the military prison in Port Said.

Assam makes 17 lakhs a year out of excise revenue, and it is estimated that the loss arising from the large amount of smuggling that admittedly goes on is something like five-and-a-half lakhs. A recent Government Resolution affirms that "it is certain that a great deal of opium smuggling goes on, and that the Marwari traders who have settled in the Province are implicated in it."

The official report of Capt. Wilde of the battleship *Oregon* into the circumstances attending the grounding of that vessel in the Gulf of Pechili is said to confirm the Marwari statement previously expressed concerning the casualty was not in any respect attributable to fault on the part of Capt. Wilde or any officer of the *Oregon*, who in fact appear to have taken great precautions to guard against the accident.

The *Shanghai Mercury* says: "Mr. Paulson, Captain Superintendent of Police, has retired sick, but the Council pays him his full six months' salary up to the end of his agreement, as his time is not yet expired. It is also said the Council has given him one thousand taels besides. We do not know how true this may be, but if it is the Council should explain the circumstances of the grant in the next weekly Minutes."

A correspondent writing to the *Straits Times* on the subject of mines and minerals refers to the Pujom Mines, and gives rather a gloomy account of their output of late, only 4500 ounces of gold having been exported during the last three months. The company says the correspondent had engaged Mr. S. B. Terry to reconstruct its dam at Pangong, which was washed away last year, but since the death of that gentleman at Hongkong, several months ago, no further steps seem to have been taken in the matter.

The British ship *Carnedd Llewellyn*, Captain Griffith, who is well-known among shipping circles on the Chinese coast, has just had an exciting trip round the Horn. He was bound from Hamburg to Honolulu, and reported that members of the crew were frost-bitten. The ship was completely frozen up, sails and rigging being so fast that they could not be handled, and Capt. Griffith says if he had not soon made his way north the ship must have been lost. Randolph Wright, a seaman 19 years old, disappeared from the vessel on May 5th. It was his first trip and he is thought to have committed suicide.

One has heard many soft synonyms for that hard phrase "a lie," remarks the *Hongkong Gazette*, and the censor in the London police court, who accused a hostile witness of "carelessly handling the truth," is generally supposed to have reached the acme of polite circumlocution. But the Governor of Ceylon has lately gone one better. In denying the assertion that the Colombo authorities are "pampering" the Boer prisoners, his Excellency said: "This is one of those statements which sometimes emanate from people endowed with impetuosity, utterly uncontrolled by conscientious scruples."

Considerable interest has been aroused in Manchester by an exhibition and trial at the local range of a new magazine rifle, which has been proved to be capable of a fast rate of firing than any service weapon now in use, namely, thirty shots a minute. This is one, however, of the many excellent features of the Ashton Australian magazine rifle, a weapon which is introduced to England under strong recommendation of the Australian Government and Colonial military authorities. At Ashton, the trials were conducted by Mr. G. C. H. Moore, Capt. Croft, Major Carter, Capt. Moore, Lt.-Col. Tate, and Lieut. Spence, A.D.C. H. E. H. was entertained by H. E. the Governor at a lunch at Government House in Ceylon.

The Japanese Ambassador had arrived here yesterday evening from Singapore.

The British transport *Normandie* left yesterday for Bangkok.

Shipping firms engaged in Canadian trade have agreed to advance ten per cent. in freight rates, because of the advance in coal and other steamship stores.

The *Progress* a few days ago gave currency to a rumour at Manila that Arminio has died in the province of Isabela. No credence was, however, placed in the statement.

The French transports *Chateau Lafitte*, *Zembla* and the *Pelio*, an old steamer of the Messageries Maritimes, formerly on the Indo-China line, are on their way outward bound for Taku.

The American liner *St. Paul* has made a record passage between New York and Cherbourg, having beaten the *Campania* by a good many hours. She made the trip in 7 hours and 6 minutes.

Sir William Lyell, the Premier of New South Wales, has cabled to the Agent-General of New South Wales in London and sent four 4.7-in. naval guns fitted with carriage for field service, and also several Vickers Maxim guns which were ordered to reinforce the "A" Battery now in South Africa.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS IN CHINA.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.]

London, 8th October, 8.10 p.m.

DR. MORRISON ON THE CHINESE "GOVERNMENT."

Dr. Morrison reports to the Times that the Empress Dowager has failed to establish the semblance of a government at Taiyuanfu.

SHANGHAI, 8th October, 8.25 p.m.

BRITISH FLAG HOISTED AT SHANHAIKWAN.

H.M.S. *Pigmy* has arrived at Shanhaikwan. The Chinese evacuated the place and the *Pigmy* landed 18 men and hoisted the British flag one hour before 3,000 Russian troops arrived.

THIRD BRIGADE PROCEEDS THITHER.

General Reid, with the Third Brigade, has gone to Shanhaikwan.

THE VICEROYS' DECLARATION.

The Chinese report that the Yangtze Viceroy and Yuan Shikai have informed the Empress Dowager that they cannot continue to send supplies to the Imperial Court if Hsianfu be made the capital.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

London, 8th October, 8.10 p.m.

MOVEMENTS OF TROOPS.

The City of London Volunteers have left Capetown, and the Naval Brigade has left Pretoria.

GENERAL NEWS.

London, 8th October, 8.10 p.m.

THE COTTON CRISIS.

The cotton crisis in Lancashire affects two million spindles and 30,000 looms.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

London, 7th October.

THE ELECTIONS.

322 Unionists, 91 Liberals and 64 Nationalists have been returned to date.

THE POWERS AND CHINA.

Russia has assented to the new German proposals. Berlin telegrams state that all the powers, including Great Britain, have also assented in principle, although some of them oppose the prohibition of the export of arms.

OBABLE RESIGNATION OF LORD SALISBURY.

Mr. Herbert Gladstone speaking at Accrington said that it was expected Lord Salisbury would resign before next year was over, and Mr. Chamberlain would then be able to dictate his own terms.

THE ROYAL ENGINEERS' CONCERT.

The entertainment given by the Royal Engineers' Variety Club at Wellington Barracks on Monday passed off very successfully. The concert began at 8.30 and by the time H.E. the Governor arrived, accompanied by Lady and Miss Blake and suite, a full and very representative house was assembled. Towards the end of the evening the heavy rain rendered it rather hard for the military portion of the audience at the back of the building to catch the dialogue of Maddison, Morton's farce, *Woodcock's Little Game*, but in all respects the arrangements made for the comfort of the visitors were excellent. The first part of the programme consisted of songs in which Mrs. Boultre with "The Flight of Ages," "The Green Isle of Erin," and a duet with her husband, represented the ladies and was much applauded. Mr. Alce Marsh delighted the audience with "The Sailor's Gravé" and "The Leather Bottel," Supt. Simmers, R.E., sang "The Lads in Red" and later "The Skipper," Pte. Burgess, A.O.C., "Song of the Empire," and Pte. Byla, R.A.M.C., "The British Navy." Among the comic singers, Sergeant Viggers, A.O.C., scored a great success with "There's Now I Saved My Life," and "We've all got Something to Show," as did Pte. Drury, R.A.M.C., with "Touzache" and, as an encore, the "sketch" Napoleon's farewell to his troops. Supt. H. Ward's "That's Mine Well You've Done with It" and "One of the Boys" were also good performances. The second part of the programme, the farce *Woodcock's Little Game*, was very amusing. Mrs. Bagwell-Wild was very good as Mrs. Larkins, and as ladies Supt. Booty and Pte. Pitt made great hits. The deep-voiced Mrs. Col. Carver (Supt. Booty) was a great favourite with the pit, especially in her evening "confection." Her fainting fit was most realistic. As Mrs. Woodcock Pte. Pitt looked well but seemed rather shy of producing his voice. Mr. Bagwell-Wild was an excellent Woodcock and Corp. Willmurst and Sergeant Conway gave him good support in the male parts. Corp. Houston made a gigantic Susan. We must not omit to mention the efficient assistance of the Fuziliers Band and the two accompanists, Supt. Long and Sergeant Burrell. The Royal Engineers are to be heartily congratulated on their entertainment.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 7th October.
THE VICEROYALTY OF THE TWO KWANG. It is now said that Tao Mu, the Manchu Viceroy of Shen-Kan, who was transferred to the Two Kwang, is not coming to Canton, having resigned on account of ill-health. As a rule a Manchu is neither friendly to foreigners nor to Cantonese, as he is apt to say that the latter are tainted with Christianity and have had a good deal to do with foreigners.

THE FOREIGN FLEET OFF SHAMSEEN. There are at present eight gunboats in the Canton river, lying opposite Shamseen, viz., the French *Vigilant*, *Argue*, *Avalanche*, and *Comète*, the German *Tiger* and *Luchs*, the English *Britannia*, and American *Don Juan d'Austria*. The *Luchs* and *Don Juan d'Austria* will soon leave, and other ships will come to take their places. This is a pretty strong fleet and would be quite able to reduce the whole city within three hours in case of disturbance.

A MING ANNIVERSARY.

The 15th day of the intercalary 8th moon was not observed by the Chinese here as the moon festival as it was last month, because the Ming dynasty lost its empire on this same day to the Manchus. As for the last month or so there have been rumours that on this anniversary there would be disturbances. The Acting Vice-roy ordered strict watch to be kept, and mounted patrols were to be seen going about the street during the day, preceded by a pair of trumpets blowing vigorously.

A BOOT-TRADE QUARREL.

The division of labour here is so much more strictly observed than it is elsewhere that it has led recently to a serious affray, which resulted in the murder of four men. A shoemaker is not permitted to make a whole pair of shoes; he makes the upper part of them, and sends them to another shop to be heeled and soled. Between these two branches of the boot-trade there was a quarrel the other day, followed by a shooting affray, four men being killed.

ANOTHER PIRACY CASE.

On the 1st of October a steam-launch, the *Fuk Sang*, left Sankong in the Namhoi district for Canton. There were 30 to 40 passengers and some cargo on board. Seven or eight of the former turned out to be pirates. All went well until she reached Mankow, when a fishing junk came up. The pirates then produced their revolvers, overawed the crew and passengers and ransacked their luggage and boxes. After removing the spoil into the junk and taking away whatever valuables they could lay their hands upon, they left. It is believed that the captain was in collusion with them.

A CURIOUS SCENE.

I reported in my letter of the 26th September the case of some servants of a house of ill-fame in San Tin Tee, opposite Shamseen, who accompanied two girls to a restaurant to sing and drink, and how on account of a Chinaman treading on the foot of one of the girls a quarrel arose, resulting in four men being shot dead.

The relatives of the deceased had the dead bodies carried in their coffins and placed in the house where the girls stay, and demanded a squeeze. The mistress of the house, residing the demand, had walls built round and enclosed the coffins instead of removing them. A curious scene resulted therefrom, for while the girls and their guests were singing and drinking upstairs the relatives of the deceased were mournfully crying and making lamentations below.

WEIHAIWEI.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Weihaiwei, 1st October.

ACCOMMODATION FOR REFUGEES. The little village of Lou-kungtau has had a rude awakening in finding itself under martial law, carried out in its fullest severity. It will be remembered that this island was, on its transfer to the Imperial Government, under Naval control, and while in that state, the Naval Commander-in-Chief authorised a Mr. Clarke, an old Chefoo resident, to establish a small hotel here for the accommodation of officers' wives who desired to reside on the island. On the subsequent transfer of a portion of the island to the Military authorities, the site of this hotel became War Department property. At the beginning of the present disturbed state of affairs in China, this place, being considered the only safe place in North China for ladies to reside in, the Admiral issued a memo. stating that refugees should come here. The little hotel as a consequence became full; amongst the occupants being Mrs. Bruce, the wife of the Rear Admiral, Mrs. Percy Scott, and Mrs. Watt-Jones, wife of Capt. Watt-Jones, R.E., who, when last heard of, was surveying somewhere north of Peking. The refugees were provided for by being accommodated in houses specially prepared by the "Commissioners."

THE APPLICATION OF MARTIAL LAW.

On the 16th August the manager of the hotel was served with a notice that his premises would be required for military purposes, and that all accommodation must be reserved for military disposal in a month from that date.

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GREAT BRITAIN, HONGKONG, AND THE TREATY PORTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Amoy, 3rd October.

SIE.—At the recent Annual Meeting of the Douglas Steamship Company in Hongkong, the Chairman in his remarks dwelt particularly on the fact that the Company had to meet with

subsidiary opposition and that this militated greatly against the management in their efforts to maintain their old established line between Hongkong, the Coast ports, and Formosa. This is true enough, but Coast port shareholders regard it as unfortunate that he did not go further and afford the meeting details of the nature of the opposition and the real obstacles that the Directors had to deal with.

It may have been a spirit of moderation on his part that inspired him, but he barely did justice to himself or his Agents in not describing the nature of the opposition that he had to deal with and certain facts bearing thereupon;

and it is best, not only in the interests of the shareholders, but also for foreigners trading in China, that these should be known.

The Treaty ports of Formosa were, about the year 1858, thrown open to foreign trade, thanks to the efforts of Great Britain, and they were open to the world's commerce on even terms for one and for all. In an evil moment the Japanese, some forty years later, were allowed to annex the island and to take the ports so

occupied by the Chinese under their own control, and ample assurances were given that, this being allowed, British trade as it existed would not be interfered with. What has been the result?

An immediate differential duty against the British flag and the original trade route, created and maintained under that flag. I venture

to send you for publication the correspondence

between the various Chambers of Commerce

and the British Minister in Tokyo on this point.

It is needless to add that the British Minister has done nothing in the matter, the result being that the British flag is now

seldom seen in Formosan waters. The differential duty complained of in the letters was not

imposed at the tea trade, which was merely used

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- Hongkong, 10th October, 1900. [2622]

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Hongkong, 10th October, 1900. [2621]

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Hongkong, 8th October, 1900. [2618]

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Hongkong, 5th October, 1900. [2584]

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NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of Members of the above Club will be
held in the CITY HALL on SATURDAY,
the 13th October, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON.
By Order.

T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 20th September, 1900. [2555]

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NOTICE.

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MEETING of Members of the above
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SATURDAY, the 13th October, at 12.15 P.M.
for the purposes set forth in the Notices
that are being posted to the Members.
By Order.

T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 29th September, 1900. [2559]

AUCTIONS

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 495.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 15th day of OCTOBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.
F. H. MAY,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 27th September, 1900. [2611]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 15th day of OCTOBER, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Shaukiwan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 73 years, with the option of renewal for the year 1899 and for the half-year ending the 30th June, 1900, and of declaring dividends.

By Order of the Board.

W. J. SAUNDERS,
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Hongkong, 21st September, 1900. [2470]

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Hongkong, 23rd May, 1900. [21]

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CHAPTER XV.

THE GREY HOUSE.

I placed the mysterious picture in my pocket and remained silent. That my wife had been photographed after death there could be no doubt, for I, as medical man, was, also, too well acquainted with the appearance of a face which from life had faded, distinguishing from that of one asleep, or under the influence of an anesthesia.

Yet she was now living, bright, vivacious, and defiant? Had I not stood near her, seen her silhouette in the darkness, and heard the sweet music of her voice only twelve hours ago?

It was incomprehensible—an absolute and complete enigma.

Fearing lest suspicion might rest upon the missing photograph, I picked a small scrap of paper from the waste-paper basket and thrust it into the crack. No doubt they would return for it, but finding another piece of paper they would probably believe that the photograph had gone so deeply into the crack as to be hidden successfully in the heart of the wall.

Bullen was still with the widow and her stepson when I rejoined him in the drawing-room, accounting for my absence by saying that I had been around the exterior of the house.

He was again questioning Mrs. Chetwode, and I could discern by her manner that she was in accord with her stepson. To the latter I had taken an instinctive dislike. Although an officer of Hussars, he was an over-dressed youth with a three inch collar, a cravat of an effeminate shade of lavender, a fancy vest, and a general get-up which stamped him as an interesting specimen of the "saluted" Britonics.

Presently we took our leave of the pair, and together went down to the spot where the body had been found. One of the detectives had discovered the missing shirt stud, as I had predicted, while the various marks in the vicinity had been carefully examined and noted.

I spent the whole morning striving to obtain some clue, sometimes with the others, and often wandering by myself. I found the spot where my love had stood with Tatterett, and paused there in deep reflection.

Was it possible that the tragedy had occurred after they had been lost to me in the darkness?

I glanced at the photograph. Its hideousness appalled me, and I placed it back in my pocket, determined not to allow this further mystery to trouble me. She was alive. I knew this, therefore, how was it possible that she could have been photographed in death?

My lunch I took in the bar of the Station Hotel. I had a purpose in doing this, for during a chat with the proprietor, I learned that the major, who had remained there three days, had paid his bill and left on the previous evening. That, in itself, certainly appeared a suspicious circumstance. He had left the place ostensibly to return to London; yet he had kept that appointment in the park, and had afterwards gone—whether? The last train left Hounslow for Waterloo at eleven-fifteen. I had, however, not taken that, for elev'n o'clock struck from Whitton church-tower just after I had watched them disappear into the night.

During a greater part of the afternoon I was with Bullen, and at the latter's request visited the police-surgeon to make his post-mortem. But we discovered nothing further to account for death—absolutely nothing.

"What is your opinion?" I asked of the detective-inspector when alone with him.

"I have no opinion," he responded, "except that woman knows something more than will tell us."

"Exactly," I exclaimed. "I wonder what her object is in concealing any fact she knows?"

"Ah, Doctor," he replied, "women are funny creatures. One never knows what motive they may have. In this case we shall be compelled to act very warily, and, if possible, mislead her and place her off the scent. She has given me a list of the guests, which may be useful."

"Has she? I'd like to see it. There might be someone among them known to me."

He took from his pocket a sheet of writing paper with stamped heading, and I quickly glanced down the list of names. In an instant I saw that it was incomplete. The two persons whom I knew had been there she had omitted. Their names were Lady Pierrepont-Lane and Beryl Wynd.

Without comment I handed it back to him. It occurred to me that it might be best to keep my knowledge to myself, for, by so doing, I might perchance discover a clue.

That evening, having resolved to remain and watch the inquest on the morrow, I scribbled a hasty line to Bob, and then spent the hour after dinner in company with Bullen and Rowling in the bar-parlour of a neighbouring public-house.

The mystery was talked of everywhere. The so-called "special" editions of the London evening papers had arrived and were being bought up eagerly in the streets, the reports they contained being for the most part remarkable pieces of fiction connected by the imaginative special list in crime.

At the inquest held in the billiard-room at Whitton next morning reporters were present in dozens, and the "note" taken by all was verbatim, for being the dead son of such a mystery as this was a welcome "scoop" to those journals whose chief claim to notoriety are the sensationalism of their contents-bills and their remarkable "cross-heads." The inquiry was held by Doctor Diplock, perhaps the best-known of London coroners—now, alas! dead—but in the evidence there was nothing fresh, notwithstanding the single point which could be of assistance with which I had been charged.

At the post mortem was given by the police surgeon, while I sat quiet and unobserved among the general public.

If Beryl knew that

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FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW & AMOY	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	—			To-day.
MANILA VIA AMOY	AKASHI MARU	Brit. str.	—			To-day, at 5 P.M.
MANILA	DIAMANT	Brit. str.	—			On 15th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGJANG	Brit. str.	—			On 17th inst.
MANILA	SUNGKIAN	Brit. str.	—			On 23rd Nov., at Noon.
MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	—			To-day, at Noon.
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Oct. 9, CHEANG HOI KIAN, British str., 956, Pentney, Penang 25th Sept., and Singapore 1st Oct., General.—CHINESE.

Oct. 9, FORMOSA, British str., 674, Hodgins, Tamshui 5th Oct., Amoy 7th and Swatow 8th.

Oct. 9, FOSHUN, British str., 1,500, W. H. Lunt, Shanghai 6th October, General.—CHINESE.

Oct. 9, TRYX, Norwegian steamer, 710, Dahl, Canton 9th Oct., General.—ORDER.

Oct. 9, ELITA NOSSACK, German str., 1,163, H. Bruun, Java 25th Sept., Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

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DEPARTURES.

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Oct. 9, ELSE, German str., for Tsingtau.

Oct. 9, KYOTO MARU, Jap. str., for Moji.

Oct. 9, WINGSANG, British str., for Swatow.

Oct. 9, WOSANG, British str., for Canton.

Oct. 9, HATING, French str., for Hoihow.

Oct. 9, TAILEE, German str., for Swatow.

Oct. 9, SAXONIA, German str., for Hamburg.

Oct. 9, LOONMOON, German str., for Shanghai.

Oct. 9, ANPING, British str., for Shanghai.

Oct. 9, F. SHUN, British str., for Canton.

Oct. 9, NAIRUO, British str., for Rangoon.

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The Japanese steamer Awa Maru, from Singapore 3rd Oct., had light winds to Cape Padaran. From Cape Padaran to port strong N.E. winds. Oct. 3d passed steamer *Gencior* and Japanese man-of-war Asahi, bound for Hongkong.

The British steamer *Formosa*, from Tamshui 5th Oct., Amoy 7th and Swatow 8th, had fresh N.E. wind and fine weather to Amoy. From Amoy to Swatow moderate N.E. wind and fine. From Swatow to port light N.E. wind and fine. Warships and steamers in Amoy—H.M.S. *Iris*, German *Bussard*, American *Marietta*, Japanese *Tokushima* and *Izumi*, Straits *Chungkiang* and *Puotang*. In Swatow—Strs. *Dagmar*, *Ching King*, *Hunan* and *Fookang*.

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Hongkong, 29th September, 1900.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Parcel Mails for Europe, &c., per s.s. *Bengal*, will close at 3 p.m. on Friday, the 12th instant. The *Chusan*, with the English Mail of the 11th September, left Singapore on Sunday, the 7th inst., at 1 p.m., and may be expected here or about Friday, the 12th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 14th August.

The *Doric*, with the American Mail of the 15th Sept., left Yokohama on Thursday, the 4th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 12th inst.

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Sandakan	Wednesday, 10th, 4.00 P.M.	
Amoy and Manila	Wednesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.	
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Wednesday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.	
Koko	Saturday, 13th,	
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO	Registration, 9.45 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.30 A.M.)	
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TO-MORROW.
Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, 1. Queen's Buildings, noon.
Meeting of the St. Mary Magdalene Chapter, 4 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

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	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	2/1 st
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ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer	156
	Bank, on demand	156 st
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Patna New ... \$971 to — per chest.
Patna Old ... \$ — "
Banaras New ... \$665 "
Banaras Old ... \$ — "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. steamer *Chusan* left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., at 1 p.m. with the outward English mails, and is due here on the 12th inst., at about 3 p.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Doric*, with mails from San Francisco to the 16th ult., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on Thursday morning, the 4th inst., via Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The T. K. K. steamer *Nippon Maru*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 22nd ult.

The P. M. steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 2nd inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Bavaria*, carrying the German mail with dates from Berlin of the 17th Sept., left Colombo on Friday, the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 17th inst.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. steamer *Easter*, from Sydney, left Port Darwin on the 3rd inst. for Timor, Manila and this port.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The O. S. steamer *Thetis* left Singapore on the 7th inst., and is due in Hongkong on the 12th inst.

The H. A. L. steamer *Athenia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 13th inst.

The N. P. steamer *Moorish Falcon* has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for Hongkong on the 6th inst.

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Hongkong, 1st June, 1899.

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son known as A. RITCHIE, of ETCHESS &

Co., has answered my "Call Flag," and repre-

sented himself as being authorised by me to

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rity to act on my behalf or use my name in any

way, nor are they connected with my Steam

Waterboat business in any manner whatever.

J. W. KEW.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1900.

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NOTICE.

THE "BOA VISTA" HOTEL have been

appointed AGENTS for the Hongkong

Daily Press, Hongkong Weekly Press, and the

Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan,

etc., at Macao, and they are authorized to

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A. CUNNINGHAM,

Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1900.

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